Amendment to Specification:

Please amend the paragraph starting on page 1, line 3, entitled, "Related Applications" as follows:

This application claims the benefit of attorney docket 5 number 1196, application serial number 60/261,599 entitled, "System and Method for Offloading Responses to Network Communications" filed on January 12, 2001 by Van Jacobson, and attorney docket number 1276, application serial number [[60/AAA,AAA]] 60/337,229, entitled "Method and Apparatus 10 for Establishing a Secure Connection" filed on December 3, 2001 by Van Jacobson and Kedar Poduri, and is related to attorney docket number 1197, application serial number 60/261,598, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Efficient Input/Output of a Computer System" filed on January 12, 15 2001 by Van Jacobson, and each is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.